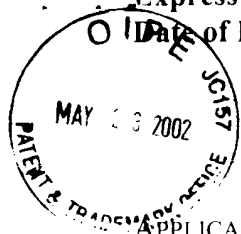


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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Insert the enclosed Sequence Listing at the end of the specification.

REMARKS

In response to the December 18, 2001 Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, Applicants submit herewith an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing," an initial paper copy of the "Sequence Listing," and a statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and include no new matter, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. The specification has been amended to insert the sequence listing.

The response is due on or before June 18, 2002 with a four-month extension of time.